

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION II

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BY ELECTRONIC MAIL

Robert Law, Ph.D. demaximis, inc. 186 Center Street, Suite 290 Clinton, New Jersey 08809

Re: Diamond Alkali, Lower Passaic River Study Area

Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation

and Feasibility Study, US. EPA Region 2 CERCLA Docket No. 02-2007-2009

Dear Dr. Law:

Enclosed pleased find a copy of the EPA Region 2 Staff Statement of Position on the issue in the dispute resolution proceeding under the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study, initiated by your letter dated June 12, 2015, on behalf of the Cooperating Parties Group ("CPG").

Walter Mugdan, the decision maker for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") in this dispute, will review the two position papers and make a decision based on his review, and issue a written decision, which his office will provide.

Sincerely,

ennifer LaPoma, Remedial Project Manager

Wwer Passaic River Study Area RI/FS

Enclosure

cc: W. Mugdan, EPA

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